

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ozzie Farres on 11/16/2009.
3. The application has been amended as follows:

In line 6 of claim 1, the phrase --by computer--has been inserted after the word "determining".

Allowable Subject Matter

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The closest prior art of record is Quail Creek Bank Rates pages, (PTO-892 reference U). Quail Creek Bank Rates pages shows method of different minimum balance requirements.
2. In regard to claim 1 or 9, Quail Creek Bank Rates pages taken either individually or in combination with other prior art of record fails to teach or suggest aggregating the separate minimum cash balances into an aggregated minimum cash balance, determining a pooled minimum cash balance required in the singled pooled account and determining a difference between the aggregated minimum cash balance and the pooled minimum cash balance, wherein the difference is a benefit of pooling computer-implemented method.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MARISSA LIU whose telephone number is (571)270-1370. The examiner can normally be reached on IFP.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Trammell can be reached on 571-272-6712. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Examiner, Art Unit 3694

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